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SUBJECT: LATERAL DISTRIBUTION OF MADRID POLITICAL REPORTING

REFS: MADRID 8362

1. WE FOUND FULL DISTRIBUTION OF EMBASSY MADRID'S POLITICAL REPORTING TRAFFIC VERY USEFUL IN KEEPING US ABREAST OF DEVELOPMENTS IN SPAIN DURING THE MONTHS SINCE FRANCO'S DEATH. INTEREST IN DEVELOPMENTS IN SPAIN DURING THIS CRITICAL PERIOD OF TRANSITION HAS BEEN HIGH HERE.

2. LOOKING AHEAD, HOWEVER, WE ARE INCLINED TO BELIEVE THAT A MORE LIMITED DISTRIBUTION OF THESE REPORTS WOULD SERVE OUR CURRENT NEEDS. THESE ARE PRIMARILY (A) ANYTHING INVOLVING OR AFFECTING NORWAY, AND MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS IN (B) DOMESTIC SPANISH SCENE, PARTICULARLY STEPS TOWARD DEMOCRATIZATION AND POLITICAL PARTY AND LABOR UNION ACTIVITIES; (C) FOREIGN POLICY, ESPECIALLY SPANISH FOREIGN POLICY TOWARD US, EFFORTS TO PULL CLOSER TO EUROPE AND THE EC, UNDERTAKE BILATERAL RELATIONS WITH NORWAY OR OTHER NORDICS AND WITH EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES; AND (D) DEFENSE POLICY PARTICULARLY ACTIVITIES INVOLVING NATO, NORWAY OR OTHER EUROPEANS GENERALLY.

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